

Council on Postsecondary Education  
February 3, 2003

University of Kentucky  
Swine Feed Mill

Action: The staff recommends that the council approve the University of Kentucky request to construct a Swine Feed Mill at the Animal Research Center in Woodford County, Kentucky, with \$870,000 of federal funds.

The University of Kentucky proposes to construct a Swine Feed Mill at the Animal Research Center in Woodford County using \$870,000 of federal funds.

The council has the statutory responsibility to review and approve postsecondary education capital projects costing \$400,000 or more regardless of fund source. Because the estimated cost of this project exceeds the \$400,000 threshold, the council and the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee must approve the project before it is initiated.

The project involves the construction of a 4,138 square foot facility to house mixing and batching equipment, silos, and a conveyor for preparing approximately 2,000 tons of feed per year. The Woodford County Animal Research Center is located near the city of Versailles off Kentucky Highway 62 east and fronts onto U. S. Highway 60. The University of Kentucky has certified that funding (\$870,000) for the project will be available from federal sources. The university further agrees that construction will not begin until the funding is available. Construction of the feed mill will not increase the contribution for operations and maintenance costs from the state General Fund.

Following council action, the staff will forward the council's recommendation to the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet and to the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee.